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PETITION FOR REVIVAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR PATENT ABANDONED FOR FAILURE TO NOTIFY THE OFFICE OF A FOREIGN OR INTERNATIONAL FILING (37 CFR 1.137(f))		Docket Number: 080398.P400
First named inventor: L. Michael Maritzen		
Application No.: 09/733,750	Art Unit: 3627	
Filed: December 8, 2000	Examiner: Kramer, James A.	
Title: A METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR MERCHANT-TO-MERCHANT REFERRALS AND ITEM BROKERING		
Attention: Office of Petitions Mail Stop Petition Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 FAX: (703) 308-6916	06/13/2003 CKHLOX 00000021 09733750 01 FC:1453 1300.00 0P	
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The above-identified application became abandoned pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(iii) for failure to timely notify the Office of the filing of an application in a foreign country or under a multinational international treaty that requires publication of applications eighteen months after filing. The date of abandonment is the day after the expiration date of the forty-five (45) day period set in 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(iii).		
PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.137(f), APPLICANT HEREBY PETITIONS FOR REVIVAL OF THIS APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(b)		
1. Petition fee		
<input type="checkbox"/> Small entity-fee \$_____ (37 CFR 1.17(m)). Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other than small entity – fee \$1300.00 (37 CFR 1.17(m)).		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge the indicated fees and credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 02-2666.		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fee is enclosed.		
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☐ Additional Sheets containing statements establishing unintentional delay

☒ Other: Submission of Petition for Revival

SUBMISSION OF PETITION FOR REVIVAL

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Applicant(s) believe(s) that the above-identified application is being regarded by the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) as abandoned. Accordingly, applicant(s) submit(s) herewith a Petition for Revival of An Application for Patent Abandoned for Failure to Notify the Office of a Foreign or International Filing in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.137(f). The Petition is being hand-delivered for immediate consideration. The Petition fee required under 37 CFR § 1.17(m) is submitted herewith. Please debit any additional charges or credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 02-2666. An extra copy of the Fee Transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

Applicant(s) respectfully submit(s) that the USPTO has misinterpreted the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 122, causing the needless filing of the subject Petition, and respectfully requests a refund under 37 CFR § 1.26 for the fees under 37 CFR § 1.17(m) mistakenly required to be paid. The refund can be credited to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. If a refund is not forthcoming, applicant(s) reserve(s) the right to request a refund for the Petition fee based on a subsequent finding by the USPTO or a court of proper jurisdiction that the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 122 have been misinterpreted.

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DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first, and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first, and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

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the specification of which

 is attached hereto.
 X was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY) December 8, 2000 as
United States Application Number 09/733,750
or PCT International Application Number
and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY)
(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claim(s), as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(a)-(d), of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

<u>Prior Foreign Application(s)</u>			<u>Priority Claimed</u>	
<u>Number</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>(Foreign Filing Date - MM/DD/YYYY)</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
<u>Number</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>(Foreign Filing Date - MM/DD/YYYY)</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>
<u>Number</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>(Foreign Filing Date - MM/DD/YYYY)</u>	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

<u>Application Number</u>	<u>(Filing Date - MM/DD/YYYY)</u>
<u>Application Number</u>	<u>(Filing Date - MM/DD/YYYY)</u>

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

Application Number	(Filing Date – MM/DD/YYYY)	Status -- patented, pending, abandoned

I hereby appoint the persons listed on Appendix A hereto (which is incorporated by reference and a part of this document) as my respective patent attorneys and patent agents, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected herewith.

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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APPENDIX A

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APPENDIX B

Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56 Duty to Disclose Information Material to Patentability

(a) A patent by its very nature is affected with a public interest. The public interest is best served, and the most effective patent examination occurs when, at the time an application is being examined, the Office is aware of and evaluates the teachings of all information material to patentability. Each individual associated with the filing and prosecution of a patent application has a duty of candor and good faith in dealing with the Office, which includes a duty to disclose to the Office all information known to that individual to be material to patentability as defined in this section. The duty to disclosure information exists with respect to each pending claim until the claim is cancelled or withdrawn from consideration, or the application becomes abandoned. Information material to the patentability of a claim that is cancelled or withdrawn from consideration need not be submitted if the information is not material to the patentability of any claim remaining under consideration in the application. There is no duty to submit information which is not material to the patentability of any existing claim. The duty to disclose all information known to be material to patentability is deemed to be satisfied if all information known to be material to patentability of any claim issued in a patent was cited by the Office or submitted to the Office in the manner prescribed by §§1.97(b)-(d) and 1.98. However, no patent will be granted on an application in connection with which fraud on the Office was practiced or attempted or the duty of disclosure was violated through bad faith or intentional misconduct. The Office encourages applicants to carefully examine:

(1) Prior art cited in search reports of a foreign patent office in a counterpart application, and

(2) The closest information over which individuals associated with the filing or prosecution of a patent application believe any pending claim patentably defines, to make sure that any material information contained therein is disclosed to the Office.

(b) Under this section, information is material to patentability when it is not cumulative to information already of record or being made or record in the application, and

(1) It establishes, by itself or in combination with other information, a prima facie case of unpatentability of a claim; or

(2) It refutes, or is inconsistent with, a position the applicant takes in:

(i) Opposing an argument of unpatentability relied on by the Office, or

(ii) Asserting an argument of patentability.

A prima facie case of unpatentability is established when the information compels a conclusion that a claim is unpatentable under the preponderance of evidence, burden-of-proof standard, giving each term in the claim its broadest reasonable construction consistent with the specification, and before any consideration is given to evidence which may be submitted in an attempt to establish a contrary conclusion of patentability.

(c) Individuals associated with the filing or prosecution of a patent application within the meaning of this section are:

(1) Each inventor named in the application;

(2) Each attorney or agent who prepares or prosecutes the application; and

(3) Every other person who is substantively involved in the preparation or prosecution of the application and who is associated with the inventor, with the assignee or with anyone to whom there is an obligation to assign the application.

(d) Individuals other than the attorney, agent or inventor may comply with this section by disclosing information to the attorney, agent, or inventor.

FEE TRANSMITTAL FOR FY 2003TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$) 1300.00**Complete if Known:**Application No. 09/733,750Filing Date 12/8/00First Named Inventor MaritzenGroup Art Unit 3627Examiner Name Kramer, J.Attorney Docket No. 80398.P400**RECEIVED**

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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one)

1. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge indicated fees and credit any over payments to:

Deposit Account Number _____

Deposit Account Name _____

- ☐ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

2. ☒ Payment Enclosed: ☒ Check
_____ Money Order
_____ Other

FEE CALCULATION**1. BASIC FILING FEE**

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Code	Fee (\$)	Code	Fee (\$)		
1001	750	2001	375	Utility application filing fee	_____
1002	330	2002	165	Design application filing fee	_____
1003	520	2003	260	Plant filing fee	_____
1004	750	2004	375	Reissue filing fee	_____
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional application filing fee	_____

SUBTOTAL (1) \$ 0**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

		Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	_____	- 20** = _____	X _____ = _____	
Independent Claims	_____	- 3** = _____	X _____ = _____	
Multiple Dependent			_____ = _____	

****Or number previously paid, if greater; For Reissues, see below.**

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description
Code	Fee (\$)	Code	Fee (\$)	
1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	84	2201	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	280	2203	140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	84	2204	42	**Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	**Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) \$ 0**FEE CALCULATION (continued)****3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Code	Fee (\$)	Code	Fee (\$)		
1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	_____

1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	_____
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	_____
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	_____
1813	8,800	1813	8,800	Request for inter parties reexamination	_____
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	_____
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	_____
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	_____
1252	410	2252	205	Extension for reply within second month	_____
1253	930	2253	465	Extension for reply within third month	_____
1254	1,450	2254	725	Extension for reply within fourth month	_____
1255	1,970	2255	985	Extension for reply within fifth month	_____
1401	320	2401	160	Notice of Appeal	_____
1402	320	2402	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	_____
1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing	_____
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	_____
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	_____
1453	1,300	2453	650	Petition to revive - unintentional	1300.00
1501	1,300	2501	650	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	_____
1502	470	2502	235	Design issue fee	_____
1503	630	2503	315	Plant issue fee	_____
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	_____
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	_____
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt.	_____
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	_____
1809	750	2809	375	For filing a submission after final rejection (see 37 CFR 1.129(a))	_____
1814	110	2814	55	Statutory Disclaimer	_____
1810	750	2810	375	For each additional invention to be examined (see 37 CFR 1.129(b))	_____
1801	750	2801	375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	_____
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	_____
1504	300	1504	300	Publication fee for early, voluntary, or normal pub.	_____
1505	300	1505	300	Publication fee for republication	_____
1803	130	1803	130	Request for voluntary publication or republication	_____
1808	130	1808	130	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) (except provisionals)	_____
1454	1,300	1454	1,300	Acceptance of unintentionally delayed claim for priority	_____
Other fee (specify) _____					
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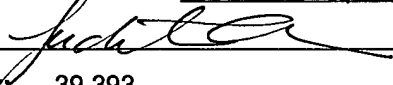
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